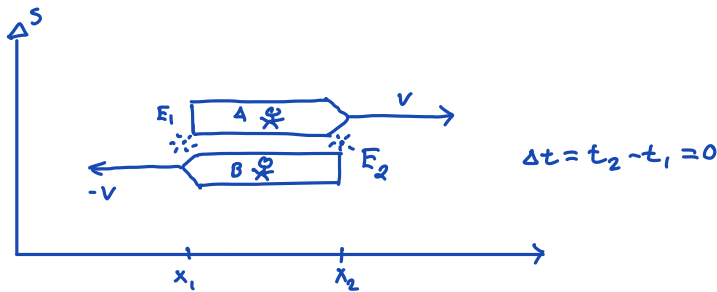


## Simultaneity

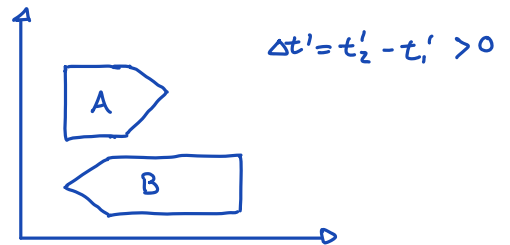
Simultaneity is Relative!

If two events happen in 1 I.R.F, they are generally not simultaneous in another



$A$ : Sees  $E_2$  first (moving toward) } Both are correct  
 $B$ : Sees  $E_1$  first (moving toward)

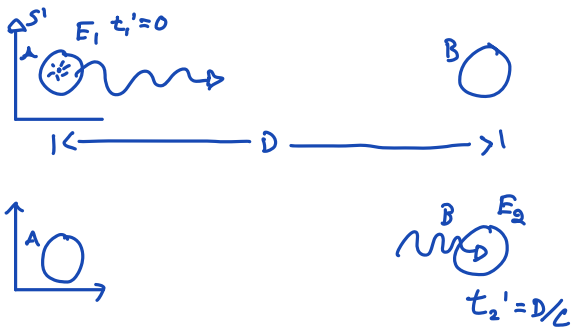
Consider the events from S.S. B RF  
 Space Ship  $A$  is length contracted



## Clock Synchronization in a Single I.R.F

Clocks Synchronized in 1 I.R.F are not Synchronized in another!

To synchronize clocks in an I.R.F. ....

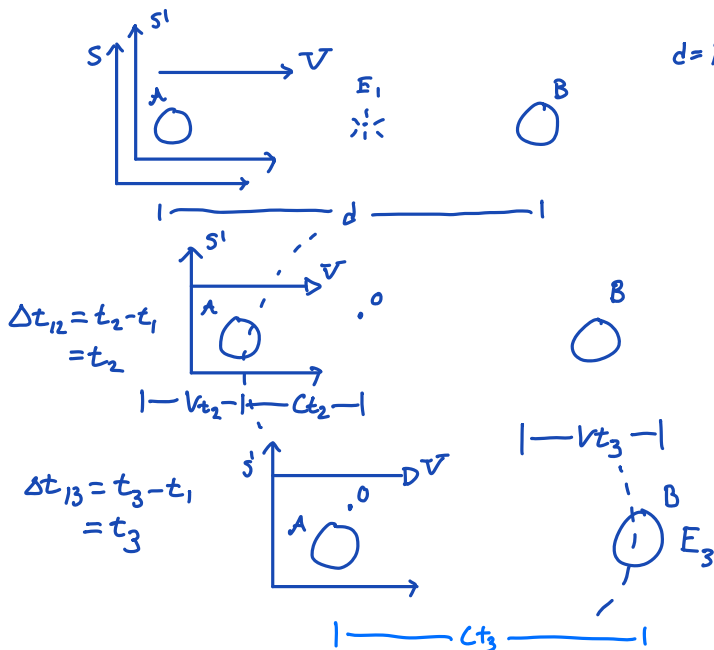


Clocks will be Synchronized

## The moving Object

Let the Synchronized clocks in  $S'$  move w speed  $V$  relative to  $S$  ....

$$| \leftarrow \frac{D}{2} \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2} \rightarrow | \leftarrow \frac{D}{2} \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2} \rightarrow |$$



$$d = D \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}$$

$E_1$ : A lightbulb is Flashed  $t = t_1$

$E_2$ : Light reaches  $A$ 's moving clock  $t = t_2$

$E_3$ : Light reaches  $B$ 's moving clock  $t = t_3$   
 Notice

$$\frac{d}{2} = \frac{D \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}{2} = V t_2 + c t_2 = (c + v) t_2$$

$$\Delta t_{21} = t_2 = \frac{D \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}{2(c + v)}$$

$$\Delta t_{31} = t_3 = \frac{D \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}{2(c - v)}$$

The time difference between the 2 events, according to S is .....

$$\Delta t = t_3 - t_2$$

From P2:

$$\frac{D}{2} \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2} = (v+c)t_2 \quad \therefore t_2 = \frac{D \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}{2(c+v)}$$

$$\frac{D}{2} \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2} = (c-v)t_3$$

$$t_3 = \frac{D \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}{2(c-v)}$$

The time difference according to the S observer

$$\Delta t_{32} = t_3 - t_2 = \frac{D \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}{2} \left( \frac{1}{c-v} - \frac{1}{c+v} \right) = \frac{D \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}{2} \left[ \frac{(c+v) - (c-v)}{(c-v)(c+v)} \right]$$

$$\frac{Dv \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}{c^2 (1 - (v/c)^2)} = \frac{Dv}{c^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}}$$

Clocks in S' runs slow according to S, So the time difference of S', according to S, is .....

$$\Delta t' = \Delta t \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2} = \frac{Dv}{c^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}} \cdot \sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2} = \frac{Dv}{c^2} \quad \text{notice } \Delta t' \neq 0$$

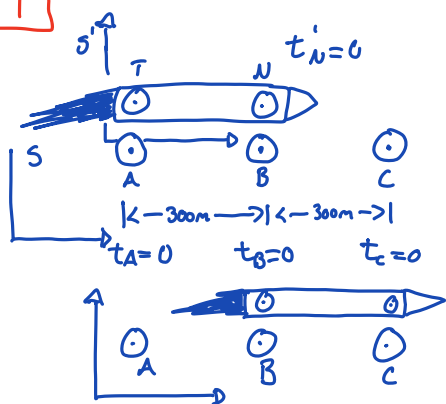
When clock B reads  $t_B' = 0$  Leading clocks lag

$$\text{Clock A reads } t_A' = \frac{vD}{c^2}$$

### Three Rules

1. moving clocks run slow by  $\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}$
2. moving objects are contracted by  $\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}$
3. Two clocks synced in own frame will not be synced in other frames  
leading clocks lag by  $\Delta t' = vD/c^2$

Sample 1



$$d_{NT} = D_{NT} \sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2} = 500m (3/5) = 300m$$

S' - S.S  
S - Ground

$$D_{NT} = 500m \quad t_A = 375m/c \quad t_B = 375m/c \quad t_C = 375m/c$$

$$v = \frac{4}{5}c$$

$$a.) \quad \Delta t' = \frac{vD_{NT}}{c^2} = \frac{4}{5}c \left( \frac{500m}{c^2} \right) = 400m/c$$

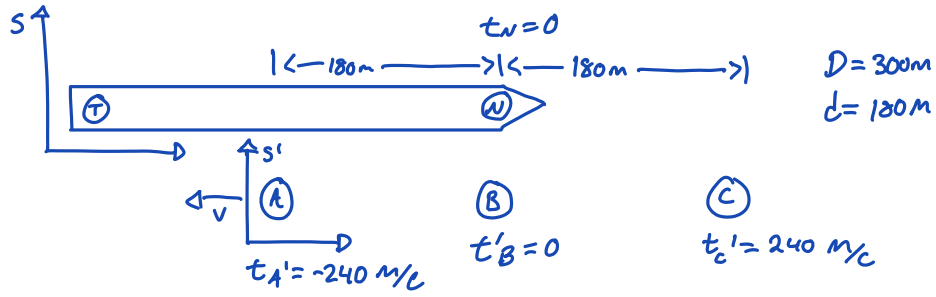
$$\frac{400m}{3.0 \times 10^8 m/s} = 1.3 \times 10^{-6} s$$

$$b.) \quad v = \frac{D_{NT}}{\Delta t} \quad \therefore \Delta t = \frac{D_{NT}}{v} = \frac{300m}{\frac{4}{5}c} = 375m/c$$

$$c.) \quad \Delta t' = \Delta t \sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2} = 375m/c \cdot \frac{3}{5} = 225m/c$$

$$t_N' = 225m/c$$

$$t_T' = 625m/c$$



$$\Delta t' = \frac{v D_{AB}}{c^2} = \frac{\frac{4}{5}c (300\text{ m})}{c^2} = 240\text{ m/c}$$

According to the  $S$  frame  $\Delta t = \frac{D_{AT}}{v} = \frac{500\text{ m}}{\frac{4}{5}c}$   
 $\Delta t = 625\text{ m/c}$

$$D_{AB} = D_{BC} = 300\text{ m}$$

$$\Delta x' = 0 \therefore \Delta t = \frac{\Delta t'}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}} \therefore \Delta t = \Delta t' \sqrt{1 - (4/5)^2} = 625\text{ m/c} (3/5) = 375\text{ m/c}$$

$$D_{AT} = 500\text{ m}$$

When tail at B

$$t_A = -240 + 375 = 135\text{ m/c}$$

$$t_B = 0 + 375 = 375\text{ m/c}$$

$$t_C = 240 + 375 = 625\text{ m/c}$$